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## FORMALITIES LETTER



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## NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS

*Filing Date Granted*

This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

**Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application  
Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) Large Entity)**

Docket No.  
SYP-166

In Re Application Of: Fichera et al

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Serial No.  
09/886,734

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Group Art Unit  
1743

Invention:

**Apparatus and Process for Transporting Sample Plates**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

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This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on  
08/13/2001  
Date

Enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). **(REQUIRED)**
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☒ Other (list):

**Drawings Figs. 7B and 10B - corrected margins**

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☐ Completion of application fees as calculated below:

☐ Utility application filing fee \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Design application filing fee \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Total number of independent claims = \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Total number of claims = \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Multiple dependent claims \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Surcharge for late payment of filing fee and/or late filing of original declaration or oath \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Petition and fee for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Fee for processing an application filed with a non-English language specification \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Fee for processing and retention of application \_\_\_\_\_

Total completion of application fees \_\_\_\_\_

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the above-identified Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired). If an additional time extension is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☐ One month

☐ Two months

☐ Three months

☐ Four months

☐ Five months

from: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

until: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Total time extension fees \_\_\_\_\_

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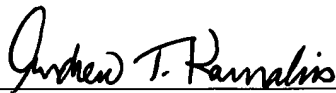
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The fee of \_\_\_\_\_ is to be paid as follows:

- ☐ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Dated: **Aug. 24, 2001**

I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on **August 24, 2001** with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

  
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